



# International Casting Sport Federation

## CONSTITUTION and By-laws

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## **1. NAME PRINCIPLES AND RECOGNITION – Historically**

- 1.1 With the object of encouraging the development of the sport of casting and of strengthening the bonds of friendship that unite those practice in it, the Belgium Finland, England, Norway, Scotland, Sweden, the Netherlands, New Zealand and the Australian Sport Fishing Federations and the N.A.A.C.C. founded the INTERNATIONAL CASTING FEDERATION (I.C.F.) in Rotterdam on 25th September 1955.
- 1.2 With the goal of promoting the development of the Casting-Sport and to improve the collaboration, the I.C.F and the FCS in the CIPS founded the World Casting Association (WCA) in Duisburg, Germany, on the 19<sup>th</sup> February 1983.
- 1.3 At General Assembly 13th April 2003 the name INTERNATIONAL CASTING FEDERATION (I.C.F.) was in elucidation named INTERNATIONAL CASTING SPORT FEDERATION (ICSF).
- 1.4 The ICSF is recognized by the SPORTACCORD and the INTERNATIONAL WORLD GAMES ASSOCIATION (IWGA), as the sole controlling body for international tournament Casting-Sport. ICSF is a member of Alliance of Independent Recognized Members of Sport (AIMS).
- 1.5 At the Extraordinary General Assembly of the ICSF and the FCS in the CIPS in Malmö, Sweden, on 6th September 2007 the two World Federations merged under the name and constitution of the ICSF. ICSF is an associated member of CIPS.
- 1.6 The seat is located in the country where the president lives.
- 1.7 The official language of ICSF is English. At the meetings of the ICSF, Members or Delegates are entitled to speak in the language of ICSF.

### **BY-LAW TO ARTICLE 1.1**

- 1.8 The ICSF is the controlling body for Tournament Casting-Sport activities in plug-and fly-distance and accuracy Casting-Sport and Fly-Casting-Sport events.
- 1.9 All disciplines recognized in the Statutes and the Tournament Rules have an equal representation and recognition within the ICSF.

## **2. OBJECTIVES**

- 2.1 The ICSF is a non-profit organization whose objectives shall be:
  - 2.1.1 to promote and encourage Tournament Casting-Sport throughout the World in conformity with the Olympic principles;

- 2.1.2 to develop Tournament Casting-Sport and Fly-Casting-Sport;
- 2.1.3 to frame and interpret ICSF Constitution and By-Laws;
- 2.1.4 to promote and sanction international competitions in plug- and fly-distance and accuracy Casting-Sport and Fly-Casting-Sport;
- 2.1.5 to arrange dates, events, venues for World Championships to be held every year;
- 2.1.6 to participate in The World Games to confirm and maintain:
  - World Record scores,
  - Continental Record scores,
  - International Judges;
- 2.1.7 to co-operate with national and international Sport Fishing Organizations (CIPS);
- 2.1.8 to co-operate and participate in SportAccord, IWGA, AIMS, CIPS and WADA.

### **3. MEMBERSHIP**

- 3.1 Members of ICSF shall consist of two groups only:
  - 3.1.1 Member Federations and
  - 3.1.2 Provisional Member:
    - Associate Members,
    - Honorary Members,
    - Co-operating Members.
- 3.2 Membership is available to one National Casting-Sport Federation or Association per country that is controlling the Casting and or Fly-Casting-Sport in that specific country. If a National Organization does not practice during three years one or more disciplines, it can be replaced by another National Organization which exercises an activity in this/these discipline(s). The replacement can be made over decision of the General Assembly or over proposal of the ICSF-Board.
- 3.3 The ICSF-Board in a move to support growth of Casting-Sport on the international level has agreed to accept new ICSF Casting-Sport member federations on a provisional basis.
- 3.4 Provisional members do not pay entry or membership fees. The membership is on provisional basis and does not constitute any rights or obligations. In particular it does not award the right to vote at the Congress to a provisional member. Without extraordinary agreement of the ICSF-Board (in compliance with the International Casting Rules), they cannot participate in World Championships. They have to pay an administrative fee per year.

- 3.5 Associate Members may be individuals, institutions or companies wishing to contribute substantially to ICSF's activities in promoting international Casting, Fly-Casting and Surfcasting-Sport. Associate membership is available for one individual, institution or company per country but only in the case that there is no ICSF member of this nation. They may attend the General Assembly meetings and may participate in the meeting, but have no right to vote. They have to pay an administrative fee per year.
- 3.6 Honorary Members can be natural persons or legal entities that have contributed meritoriously to the Casting-Sport. They may attend the General Assembly meetings and may participate in the meeting, but have no right to vote.
- 3.7 Co-operating members may be recognized national organizations which practice Casting-Sport and co-operate closely with ICSF in Casting-Sport activities, but their country is represented by another national federation which the ICSF member is (Article 1.3.1., 1.3.2, 1.3.3.). They may attend the General Assembly meetings, but have no right to vote. They have to pay per year an administrative fee.
- 3.8 Extraordinarily, in the case of two memberships (member and co-operative member) from one country, when the co-operative member unambiguously renders more activities in casting, Fly-Casting and Surfcasting and secures prosperity of this kind of sport in the country mentioned and cooperates closely with ICSF and informs ICSF, the ICSF General Assembly can decide about the change in membership. Only upon agreement of  $\frac{3}{4}$  votes present at the General Assembly.
- 3.9 Members of the Federation shall work for standardization of rules, methods of Casting-Sport, scoring and judging of all events and the promotion of the Casting-Sport.
- 3.10 The members must accept and conform to the Rules and regulations of the International Casting Sport Federation.
- 3.11 Tournament Casting-Sport and Fly-Casting-Sport transcends all political, ideological and cultural barriers and will therefore not acknowledge or accept any form of discrimination in our sport against its members and/or individuals.

#### **4. AFFILIATION**

- 4.1 A National Federation wishing to become a Member of the ICSF shall make a written application, signed by their President, to the Secretary General of ICSF Submit with its application:
  - 4.1.1 A copy of its Statutes in English
  - 4.1.2 A list of their officers
  - 4.1.3 A certificate from their highest sport authority stating that the National Federation is recognized as being the controlling body for Casting-Sport and/or Fly-Casting-Sport in their country

- 4.1.4 A formal undertaking to observe the Statutes, Competition Rules and Regulations of the ICSF
- 4.1.5 The payment of the membership fee in time, the amount of which has been fixed by the General Assembly.
- 4.2 The ICSF-Board (see 6.3) shall serve and act on all requests for membership. The Secretary will notify applicant for membership action taken within 60 days for date of application.
- 4.3 The General Assembly may decline an application for Member Association affiliation, in which case the fee shall be returned.
- 4.4 ICSF cannot arrange the financial support for the development of Casting-Sport, Fly-Casting-Sport of national federations.

## **5. MEMBERSHIP FEE AND SUPPORT**

- 5.1 The fiscal year for ICSF will be from January 1st to December 31.
- 5.2 The General Assembly shall decide the amount of the yearly subscription fee paid by every Member Association and the currency in which it shall be paid. The board has the right to decide, with a stated proposal, to reduce the membership fee for individual members.
- 5.3 Administrative fee for Associate Members and co-operating members shall be decided by the ICSF-Board on each individual application.
- 5.4 Any member dropping the membership as specified in Article 17, shall on applying for membership again, be considered as a new member and pay the necessary subscription fee.

### **BY-LAW TO ARTICLE 5**

- 5.5 The annual subscription fee is to be paid to the Treasurer of the ICSF.
- 5.6 In order to retain membership of the ICSF a National Federation must pay the annual membership fee no later than the 31st January to the Treasurer. A member who has not paid in time cannot participate in any international Casting-Sport and Fly-Casting-Sport competitions and has no voting right at the General Assembly.
- 5.7 Each nation represented by their national federation who participates at World Championships of Casting or Fly-Casting-Sport have to be a member of ICSF. In a case their national federation is not established, then they have to pay the extra fee to ICSF. The fee shall be decided by ICSFGA or ICSF-Board.

## **6. ORGANIZATION**

6.1 The General Assembly shall elect all ICSF officers as under Section 6.2, Section 12.2 and Section 13.2. The election may be held at any scheduled meeting or by absentee ballot. The duties of all elected officers shall begin at the moment of being declared elected. The duties for all officers of ICSF are published in Appendix (4) of this constitution.

6.2 Officers to be elected to form the ICSF-Board will be: President, two Vice-Presidents, one Secretary General, one Treasurer and four Board Members, all for four years at a time. Only for two election periods in the same position.

Chairmen and members in the Permanent Commissions will also be nominated all for four years at a time.

6.3 ICSF-Officers named under section 6.2 will constitute the ICSF-Board. The ICSF-Board has power to decide in all current questions. The ICSF-Board accepts or denies applications for membership. All decisions made by the ICSF-Board concerning the changes in ICSF-Constitution and International Tournament Casting Rules are approved by the General Assembly.

6.4 Retiring officers are eligible for re-election, but only for two election period in the same position.

6.5 The ICSF-Board shall be governed by the majority vote. During the interim between two General Assemblies, they shall handle all matters.

6.6 A time limit of 60 days from the time of first handling of any matter will be the maximum limit for action. This time limit to begin on date of original submission either to all members of the ICSF-Board or from date of Secretary's report to the ICSF-Board members.

## **7. GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

7.1 The General Assembly is the governing meeting of the ICSF.

7.2 The ordinary General Assembly meets every two years.

7.3 An Extraordinary General Assembly can be summoned by the ICSF-Board.

7.4 If more than 40% of the members call for an Extraordinary General Assembly it must be summoned within three months.

7.5 Members of the ICSF are to be represented at all meetings and on all matters by their delegates who comprise the General Assembly.

7.6 Each member federation can have two delegates or alternate delegates. Each

member federation has one vote. The vote of a member federation may be cast by proxy only by another member association. No member federation shall carry more than one proxy vote.

- 7.7 General Assembly shall be valid if the invitation is sent out in accordance with the Constitution.
- 7.8 The General Assembly decisions are final and can only be changed by the vote of a following General Assembly. Amendments to the ICSF-Constitution or decision of Dissolution of ICSF shall require three-fourths majority of the votes cast "for" or "against"; whereas changes to the International Tournament Rules, other Rules, Regulations and Matters shall be decided by simple majority of the votes cast "for" or "against".
- 7.9 The General Assembly shall be held under the chairmanship of the President of the ICSF or, in the absence of the President, the Vice-President or Secretary General.
- 7.10 The General Assembly shall deal exclusively with proposals indicated in the agenda.
- 7.11 If any proposal by unforeseen reasons is given immediately prior the General Assembly, such a proposal will only be put on the agenda only if a three-fourths majority of the present votes are for.
- 7.12 The agenda of an ordinary General Assembly shall include the following or modified items:
- Opening of the General Assembly,
  - Roll-call of delegates and establishing of the quorum,
  - Appointment of two scrutineers for the period of the General Assembly,
  - The President's report,
  - The General Secretary's report,
  - The Permanent Commissions reports,
  - Financial report,
  - Auditor's report
  - Discussion of Reports,
  - ICSF-Board discharge,
  - Welcome to new members,
  - Decision on Membership fee for the next two years,
  - Decision of the Budget for the next two years,
  - Discussion on decisions for eventual changes in the Constitution,
  - Discussion on decisions for eventual changes in the Tournament Rules,
  - Discussion on proposals and respective decisions,
  - Elections according to the Constitution,
  - General Information,

- Closing of the General Assembly.

## **BY-LAW TO ARTICLE 7**

- 7.13 The Chairman of the General Assembly decides the number and the duration of the speeches allowed to the delegates.
- 7.14 At least 30 days before the opening of the General Assembly, each National Federation shall forward to the Secretary General of the ICSF the names of its delegates.
- 7.15 The National Federations must notify the Secretary General of any change of their delegates at the latest by the accreditation time for the General Assembly. This must be done in writing and signed by the President and/or the Secretary General of the National Federation concerned.
- 7.16 All decisions of the General Assembly take effect immediately after the General Assembly, except for: the amendment of the Tournament Rules that take effect on a time decided by the General Assembly.
- 7.17 New Members of the ICSF, once approved, may participate in the General Assembly with full voting right.

## **8. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS**

- 8.1 Each Member of the ICSF and the ICSF-Board has the right to submit proposals to the General Assembly.
- 8.2 Proposals originating from National Federations signed by their President and/or Secretary General must be in the hands of the ICSF Secretary General not later than 60 days before the date on which the General Assembly is held.
- 8.3 All applications and proposals have to be produced and presented in English.
- 8.4 Candidates for elections to the ICSF-Board and to the Commissions may be nominated by their National Federation, which should notify the ICSF-Secretary General two months before the General Assembly.
- 8.5 Nominations may also be made by the ICSF-Board with the agreement of the Federation concerned.

## **9. THE PRESIDENT**

- 9.1 It shall be the duty of the President to conduct all meetings.
- 9.2 The President shall serve as Chairman of the ICSF-Board as well as the General

Assembly.

- 9.3 The President may delegate another officer of ICSF to represent the Federation at significant events or meetings.
- 9.4 As seemed necessary the President shall appoint Special Commissions to consider recommend and report on any given matter pertaining to ICSF affairs.

#### **BY-LAW TO ARTICLE 9**

- 9.5 The President shall call a meeting at least once a year.
- 9.6 The ICSF-Board shall form a quorum if and when, after being duly summoned, at least half of its members are present.

#### **10. THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND TREASURER**

- 10.1 The Secretary General shall keep all records, prepare, distribute and collect all ballots, keep records at all business meetings either in person or substitute, and perform all other functions of this Office normally a part of this Office.
- 10.2 The Secretary General shall notify the General Assembly (all delegates) of the recommended action of the ICSF-Board and request their comments. After a period of 30 days of the date of such notification, the Secretary General will place the matter to a vote of the General Assembly along with any comments made, to be considered as amendments to the original proposal. Only proposals received by the Secretary General will be considered.
- 10.3 The Treasurer present a financial report at business meetings, collect all money and provide or suitable banking and perform all other functions of this Office normally a part of this Office. In economic matters the Treasurer sign the International Casting Sport Federation alone.
- 10.4 All duties and services of the member of ICSF-Board (President, Secretary General, Vice-Presidents and the other Members of the ICSF-Board) are published in Appendix (4) of ICSF-Constitution.

#### **11. VACANCIES**

- 11.1 In the case of decease or resignation of a Member of the ICSF-Board, the ICSF-Board may fill vacancies for the remaining period until the next General Assembly.
- 11.2 If and when the President is temporarily prevented from fulfilling the duties of office, or the President decease, then the Vice-President shall act as President

until the next General Assembly.

## **12. THE ELECTION COMMISSION**

12.1 The Election Commission, shall have one Chairmen and two other members, all elected by the General Assembly.

12.2 One Member Federation can only have one member in the commission.

## **13. AUDITORS**

13.1 At the General Assembly two auditors shall be elected all for four years at a time. An auditor can be re-elected two times.

13.2 The auditors shall audit the accounts at least once every year. Unexpected audits are allowed. They shall in written form deliver an auditor's report to the ICSF-Board and the General Assembly. If the condition exists the auditors shall propose discharge for the ICSF-Board.

## **14. THE PERMANENT COMMISSIONS**

14.1 There shall be the following permanent Commissions:

- The Technical and Education Commission for Casting-Sport
- The Technical and Education Commission for Fly-Casting-Sport
- The Medical and Anti-Doping Commission
- The Youth Commission
- The Marketing Commission
- The Entourage Commission
- The Ethics Commission
- The Women in Sport Commission
- The Sport for All Commission

14.2 The Permanent Commission, shall have one Chairmen and minimum two other members, all nominated or elected by the General Assembly. The Chairman shall submit a report for adoption at every General Assembly meeting.

14.3 One member federation should have only one member in the different commissions.

14.4 The term of office is four years.

14.5 Should any vacancy occur in a commission, the ICSF-Board, in consultation with the relevant commission, shall appoint a new member whose term of office will extend until next General Assembly.

- 14.6 The Chairman is responsible for seeing that tasks of his commission are being properly performed, in co-operation with all other members.
- 14.7 Commissions shall reply to questions concerning the interpretation of Rules within their field of competence.
- 14.8 Such questions can be submitted by Member Associations or by members of the ICSF-Board through the Secretary General who will forward them to the appropriate commission(s).

#### **BY-LAW TO ARTICLE 14**

- 14.9 The most important commissions for ICSF are the first three on the list. They are responsible to the ICSF-Board.
- 14.10 The Technical and Education Commission are responsible for the continuously evaluation of the Tournament Rules and the Handbook for Organizers. Likewise, it is its responsibly for writing educational handbooks in the field of International and National Judging and a court-builders handbook.
- It is in the jurisdiction of the Technical and Education Commission put forward amendments to the Tournament Rules and to the Handbook for Organizers at any time.
  - The Technical and Education Commission are responsible for the development of all kind of sports in ICSF.
  - The Marketing Commission is responsible for promoting and finding potential sponsors for the ICSF.
  - The Youth Commission is responsible for the continuously evaluation of the activities in youth categories, concerning the youth free-time program. The Commission shall promote the development of youth in Casting-Sport.
  - The following commissions are related with other activities of ICSF: Entourage Commission, the Ethics Commission, the Women in Sport Commission, the Sport for All Commission.
  - The Medical and Anti-Doping Commission is responsible for carrying out ICSF-Anti-Doping rules, education and securing the Therapeutic Use Exemption Review and Anti-Doping Review Panel.
- 14.11 The Commissions shall take an objective part in the day-to-day Casting and Fly-Casting-Sport activities and in this duty take great notice of constructive discussions with the member federations.
- 14.12 Amendments referring to number of events, number of athletes participating or any other decision that will have a costly effect for the federations and/or for the athletes have to be put forward to General Assembly for decision.
- 14.13 All proposals for amendments shall be sent to the ICSF-Board for ratification.

14.14 Amendments done by the Commissions and ratified by the ICSF-Board should be up for decision at next ordinary General Assembly or next Extraordinary Assembly.

## **15. AWARDS**

15.1 The ICSF may honor its members for distinguished services with the awards of the following priority:

- Honorary Membership
- Badge of Merit
- Diploma of Honor
- Medals
- Plates

15.2 Nominations for any awards may be made by the National Federations or by the ICSF-Board. All awards shall be considered by the ICSF-Board.

15.3 The final decision for Honorary Membership and Badge of Merit lies with the General Assembly, all other awards will be decided by the ICSF-Board.

## **16. LATE MEMBERSHIP FEE**

16.1 National federations whose membership fees are unpaid shall not be eligible to attend the General Assembly and to take part in ICSF-Championships and any other international competition until all outstanding fees have been paid.

## **17. EXPULSION**

17.1 If a national federation does not continue the membership duties of the ICSF and does not rectify the situation by a date fixed by the ICSF-Board, or if there are other justified reasons, the General Assembly may expel that federation.

## **18. RESIGNATION FROM MEMBERSHIP**

18.1 A member may resign ICSF-Membership by email to the Secretary General.

18.2 The subscription fee for the current years is due in full whatever may be the date of resignation.

## **19. RULES & GUIDES**

19.1 The Tournament Rules of the ICSF is an annex forming part of the ICSF-

Constitution.

- 19.2 The Handbook for Organizers published by the ICSF is an annex forming part of the ICSF-Constitution.

## **20. EMBLEM AND FLAG**

- 20.1 The official emblem of ICSF is adopted by the General Assembly, belongs to ICSF and may be covered by copyrights.
- 20.2 The ICSF flag shall be white color with the ICSF-Emblem in cooler surmounted by the letters ICSF centrally placed.

## **21. OFFICIAL LANGUAGES**

- 21.1 The official language of the ICSF is English.
- 21.2 At the meetings of the ICFS, members or delegates are entitled to speak in the language of ICSF.

## **22. OFFICIAL SPONSORS**

- 22.1 Any official sponsors to the ICSF should be in agreement with the Rules of the International Olympic Committee (I.O.C.).

## **23. OFFICIAL PUBLICATION**

- 23.1 The ICSF-Board shall be responsible for the publication of all information on ICSF-Website.

## **24. COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT**

- 24.1 Disciplinary measures shall be taken by the ICSF-Board at first-instance and to the General Assembly as second-instance in agreement with the ICSF-Constitution. In sport competitions held by the ICSF disciplinary measures shall be taken according to the ICSF-Tournament Rules.
- 24.2 Disciplinary measures the ICSF, enforce are:
- 24.2.1 warning
  - 24.2.2 blame
  - 24.2.3 suspension of single person or team on the occasion of Tournament or events;
  - 24.2.4 suspension in the event of change of Federation according to the Tournament Rules;

- 24.2.5 suspension;
- 24.2.6 expulsion;
- 24.3 These measures shall be applied to Federations or single persons whose behavior shall prove to be against the ICSF-Constitution or the ICSF-Tournament Rules or those who do not fulfil their obligations towards the ICSF.
- 24.4 Disciplinary measures shall be taken and in writing announced by the ICSF-Board within 90 days from notice of the occurrence. Protest against the decision can be given also within 90 days from the notification. The protest cost is € 175,- and will cover cost for trial at the Court of Arbitration for Sport. The protest cost to be paid in advance of trial.
- 24.5 All appeals against measures and decisions taken according to article 24. 1. will be taken to the ICSF-Board as appellation chamber. Appeals against decisions taken by this chamber shall be taken to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Switzerland exclusively and dealt with in accordance with the rules of the CAS code-related arbitration.
- 24.6 All appeals against measures and decisions taken according to articles 24.2–24.4. will be taken to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Switzerland exclusively and dealt with in accordance with the rules of the CAS code-related arbitration.

## **25. REVENUE FROM ICSF-EVENTS**

- 25.1 ICSF shall have the sole right to arrange and to receive all revenues from all commercial promotion, media coverage and reproduction of ICSF-Championships. The member association responsible for staging any such competition shall ensure that no arrangements in respect of television, film, or photographic coverage or advertising associated with such competition or its locations shall preclude ICSF from concluding agreements in respect of the same at its sole discretion. ICSF may assign or delegate this right to a member association or other organization at its sole discretion.
- 25.2 ICSF shall have the sole intellectual property rights (trademark, design, and/or copyright) to:
  - 25.2.1 any design, symbol, logo or text adopted by the ICSF from time to time as an official mark, legend, as the mascot or emblem of a specific competition staged under the authority of the ICSF, and such mark or legend or mascot or emblem shall not be reproduced or displayed without the prior written consent of ICSF,

25.2.2 any codes of conduct or training material issued by ICSF from time to time in respect to Tournament Casting-Sport. Such rules or codes shall not be reproduced in the original languages or in translation without the prior written consent of ICSF shall have the right to require payment of royalties in respect of any such reproduction. ICSF may arrange commercial promotion and reproduction of any of the above and may transfer its rights to any other entity. Any revenue or profit arising from such promotion or reproduction or transfer shall be the sole property of ICSF.

## **26. DOPING**

26.1 The ICSF is stakeholder of WADA (World Anti-Doping Agency). ICSF valid Anti-Doping Rules have to be in compliance with WADA Code.

26.2 ICSF Medical and Anti-Doping Commission is established for fighting against doping in sport.

## **27. INSURANCE**

27.1 Every member (associated, co-operating) of the ICSF must have sufficient insurance for all their participants.

27.2 Every federation that organizes an arrangement must take out an insurance that cover the special risks involved.

## **28. DISSOLUTION OF ICSF**

28.1 In the event of ICSF being dissolved for any reason, the assets of the ICSF shall be divided equally among those member associations at the time of such occurrence.

28.2 Money due to the ICSF, but not paid by any member association, shall be deducted from its share before any distribution is made.

## **29. MATTERS NOT COVERED BY THE CONSTITUTION**

29.1 All matters not specifically covered by the ICSF-Constitution shall be decided by the responsible commission, subject to ratification by the ICSF-Board.

29.2 All matters not specifically covered by the ICSF-Tournament Rules, shall be decided by the Technical Commission and be subject to ratification by the ICSF-Board.

## Appendix (1):

### **30. STANDING BYE-LAWS TO MEETINGS PROCEDURES**

Notices of meetings of the ICSF shall be dispatched as follows:

- 30.1 Notices of the meetings of the Ordinary General Assembly shall be put by the Secretary General to official ICSF-Website not later than four months before the date of the General Assembly to all affiliated national federations, President of Honor, Members of the Board and Auditors.
- 30.2 The agenda and the proposals for the General Assembly shall be sent out by the Secretary General not later than 30 days before the date of the General Assembly by ICSF website.
- 30.3 Notices of the meetings of an Extraordinary General Assembly shall be put out by the Secretary General to official ICSF-Website not later than two months before the opening.
- 30.4 The agenda and the proposals for the Extraordinary General Assembly shall be sent out by the Secretary General not later than 30 days before the date of the Extraordinary General Assembly.
- 30.5 Notices of the meetings of the ICSF-Board, together with the agenda, shall be dispatched by the Secretary General not later than 30 days before the meeting.
- 30.6 Documents relating to the items on the agenda of the meeting of the ICSF-Board shall be dispatched by the Secretary General not later than 15 days before the meeting.
- 30.7 Notices of meetings of the Technical Commission and the Education Commission shall be sent out by the Secretary General not later than 30 days before the meeting.
- 30.8 The agenda and the documents relating to the meetings of the Technical Commission and the Education Commission shall be dispatched by respectively the chairman not later than 15 days before the meeting.
- 30.9 The Minutes of the meetings shall be circulated as follows:
  - 30.9.1 Minutes of the General Assembly, under the direction of the Secretary General and after approval by the President, within 60 days of the meeting, to the affiliated National Federation and the Members of the ICSF-Board by email.
  - 30.9.2 Minutes of the ICSF-Board, under the direction of the Secretary General and after approval by the President, within 45 days of the meeting, to the affiliated National Federations and the Members of the ICSF-Board by email.

- 30.9.3 No correction or alteration to the Minutes will be accepted unless written notification has been received and acknowledged by the Secretary General within two months of the date of circulation of the General Assembly Minutes and within one month of the date of circulation of the Minutes of the ICSF-Board.

## Appendix (2):

### **31. STANDING BYE-LAWS TO THE PREPARATION AND ORGANIZATION OF WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS – APPLICATION:**

- 31.1 Prior to making an application for the organization of World Championships, the national federation is obliged to arrange for the President of ICSF or his deputy to inspect the proposed venue and the facilities described in the application. The report of this inspection shall be submitted, together with the application, to the Secretary General for submission and then to the ICSF-Board and the General Assembly.
- 31.2 A national federation applying for World or a Continental Championships shall submit an application to the General Assembly within the limit set by Article 1.8 of the Statutes. The application shall contain the following details:
- 31.2.1 Description of the technical installations as required in the regulations for the holding of ICSF-Championships, accompanied by appropriate plans, illustrations etc.;
- 31.2.2 description of the alternative accommodation possibilities to be provided for competitors, team-leaders, trainers, officials and representatives of the media, and the meals to be provided - including the costs;
- 31.2.3 local transportation;
- 31.2.4 description of the facilities to be provided for representatives of the media;
- 31.2.5 other events planned in conjunction with the championships.
- 31.3 Compliance with Anti-Doping Requirements for Hosting Events
- 31.3.1 Condition of Eligibility  
Any Member entrusted with hosting an International Competition under the auspices of the ICSF shall ensure full compliance with the applicable requirements of the competent National Anti-Doping Organization (NADO), or, where relevant, of the National Olympic Committee (NOC) acting as a NADO.
- 31.3.2 Authority of the Board  
In the event that the designated NADO or NOC is found to be non-

compliant with applicable anti-doping rules or regulations, the ICSF Board shall have the authority, at its sole discretion and without liability or penalty, to withdraw from the concerned Member the right to host the Event.

31.3.3 Notification to the General Assembly

Any decision by the Board to withdraw hosting rights pursuant to this Article shall be formally reported to the General Assembly at its next meeting for information.”

**Appendix (3):**

**32. PRESENTATION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

32.1 An applicant may make a presentation to the General Assembly. Such a presentation shall be limited to:

32.1.1 a written presentation which shall be accompanied with a report and recommendation;

32.1.2 a verbal presentation of max. 5 minutes which may include a video presentation;

32.1.3 The General Assembly will only accept applications for Championships to be held during the following four years.

**Appendix (4):**

**33. DIVISION OF ACTIVITIES AMONG ICSF-BOARD MEMBERS:**

33.1 The ICSF-Board consists of 9 members, including the Treasurer. The division of activities among the board members is as follows:

- ICSF-President
- ICSF-Secretary General
- 1st Vice-president of ICSF
- 2nd Vice-president of ICSF
- Treasurer
- Board member
- Board member
- Board member
- Board member

Proposed functions for the ICSF-Board:

### 33.2 ICSF-President

- 33.2.1 Represents ICSF at all important meetings with other sports federations, or delegates a person authorized by him/her to attend on ICSF's behalf. These meetings include SportAccord, IWGA (International World Games Association), AIMS (Alliance of Independent Recognized Members of Sport), and CIPS (Confédération Internationale de la Pêche Sportive);
- 33.2.2 coordinates and oversees the activities of the ICSF-Board;
- 33.2.3 keeps informed about all activities and initiatives undertaken by ICSF-Board members;
- 33.2.4 participates in the opening ceremony of the World Championship events;
- 33.2.5 collaborates with the ICSF-Secretary General in the preparation of ICSF-Board meetings and the ICSF-Congress,
- 33.2.6 chairs the Casting Technical Commission responsible for regulating and standardizing casting techniques.

### 33.3 ICSF-Secretary General

- 33.3.1 Serves as the primary communication link between national federations, ICSF members, and relevant stakeholders. Maintains records and archives of correspondence;
- 33.3.2 handles and administratively processes applications for new ICSF-Members, including cooperating and associated members;
- 33.3.3 organizes and prepares all necessary documents for ICSF-Board meetings and sets the agenda for the sessions;
- 33.3.4 responsible for administrative tasks and document processing related to the ICSF-Congress and General Assembly, including agenda preparation and other requirements;
- 33.3.5 acts as a central repository for information received from ICSF-Board Members;
- 33.3.6 takes charge of managing the ICSF-Archive, ensuring proper storage, and handling of historical documents;
- 33.3.7 manages the purchase and distribution of ICSF-Materials, such as plugs and fly lines;
- 33.3.8 oversees the production and distribution of flags for individual World Championships.

#### 33.4 1st Vice-President of ICSF

- 33.4.1 Represents Fly-Casting-Sport within the ICSF and advocates for its interests and development.
- 33.4.2 Chairs the Fly-Casting-Sport Commission, which focuses on improving Fly-Casting-Sport standards and techniques.
- 33.4.3 Collaborates in the formulation of the ICSF-Competition calendar for Fly-Casting-Sport competitions.
- 33.4.4 Monitors activities related to Casting-Sports within CIPS (International Sport Fishing Confederation).

#### 33.5 2nd Vice-President of ICSF

- 33.5.1 Takes responsibility for anti-doping initiatives within ICSF, coordinating efforts with WADA (World Anti-Doping Agency), and staying up-to-date with developments in the field;
- 33.5.2 has the authority to establish an Anti-Doping Commission within ICSF;
- 33.5.3 contributes to the creation of the ICSF-Competition Calendar for the season;
- 33.5.4 takes the lead in seeking prospective sponsors for ICSF and prepares related materials;

#### 33.6 Treasurer

- 33.6.1 Manages ICSF's financial accounts and ensures proper accounting practices;
- 33.6.2 processes financial documents for the ICSF-Board, Congress and General Assembly;
- 33.6.3 records payments for membership fees from individual federations;
- 33.6.4 maintains financial statements for ICSF's sub-accounts, including those of the President and Secretary General.

#### 33.7 ICSF-Board Members

- 33.7.1 Participate in creating the competition calendar for the upcoming season, incorporating the requirements and preferences of individual national federations;
- 33.7.2 engage in communication with potential organizers of World

Championship and World Cup events in Casting-Sports;

- 33.7.3 advocate for youth-related matters within ICSF, focusing on Casting-Sports;
  - 33.7.4 maintain regular communication with ICSF-Federations that prioritize youth development in Casting-Sports;
  - 33.7.5 represent ICSF's interests in matters related to the International World Games Association (IWGA) and ICSF's participation in the World Games.
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The original constitution was confirmed at founding General Assembly in Rotterdam, the Netherlands the 25<sup>th</sup> September 1955 and have thereafter been revised at General Assemblies in:

Scarborough, England	August 1973.
Toronto, Canada	July 1984.
Madrid, Spain	July 1986.
The Hague, the Netherlands	February 1995
The Hague, the Netherlands	February 1997
Porec, Croatia	May 1999
Stockholm, Sweden	April 2001
Vienna, Austria	April 2003
The Hague, the Netherlands	April 2005
Malmö, Sweden	September 6, 2007
Vienna, Austria	April 10, 2011
Berlin, Germany	October 25, 2015
Vienna, Austria	November 17, 2019
Vicenza, Italy	November, 23, 2023
Budapest, Hungary	November 29, 2025